

AGENDA



Thursday, March 6, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 33**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 36-month requirements supply contract with HANSON PIPE & PRECAST, Austin, TX for the purchase of reinforced concrete pipe in an estimated amount not to exceed \$442,087, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$147,363 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$884,176.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$85,962 is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budget of the Watershed Protection & Development Review Department. Funding for the remaining 29 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: Roy Rivers, Buyer II / 974-6434

Purchasing Language: Sole bid received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract will provide reinforced concrete pipe in various sizes to be used by the Field Operations Division of the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department. This contract also includes reinforced concrete rectangular conduits (box culverts), reinforced concrete manhole sections, pre-cast reinforced concrete inlets, and associated fittings in various lengths and sizes required for the repair and replacement of the City's underground storm water drainage system. These products are essential for the reduction and prevention of flooding and erosion of roadways, property, and open waterways.

This supply agreement will help to ensure that reinforced concrete pipe is readily available to perform required repairs and maintenance in a timely manner. Because the material is large, bulky and difficult to store, the contractor will deliver it to the City's Watershed Field Operations at 6301 Harold Court, Site C upon request. Small quantities required by the City may be picked up by City trucks at the vendor's Austin area location.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/3

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Sole bid. Other potential bidders were contacted, with seven companies stating that it could not supply these commodities and three having invalid email addresses and did not receive notification.
- b. Eleven notices were sent, including three WBEs. There are no known MBEs available for this type commodity. One bid was received.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 4% increase to the last contract award in January 2005.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Sole bid received. Hanson Pipe & Precast is the current supplier of these products.

- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.